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Mr. David Maxwell-Jolly
Director
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Dear Mr. Maxwell-Jolly:

This responds to your February 22, 2008, request for a limited exception for the implementation of the California Child Support Automation System (CCSAS) Guideline Support Calculator (GSC) in all judicial jurisdictions, in response to Certification Finding 4.32.

My staff reviewed your proposed solution and agrees that both approaches (short and long-term) meet the intent of our requirement. I am granting your request for a limited exception with the following conditions, to be verified either during our next certification visit, tentatively scheduled for the week of May 12, 2008 or as otherwise specified:

- California must provide the schedule for implementing the short-term and long-term approach no later than March 15, 2008.
- All judicial jurisdictions must be using the Public GSC no later than May 9, 2008 vice June 1, 2008.
- The web-based Public GSC must have print functionality so that the calculated support amount and its associated demographic and financial inputs may be filed with the case record.
- A demonstration of the Public GSC being used to calculate a new guideline calculation, based on demographic and financial information presented during the judicial proceeding.
- The entry of the above recalculated support amount to the CCSAS Internal GSC by local child support agency (LCSA) staff either in court or at an Local Child Support Agency (LCSA) office.
- A demonstration of the implemented CCSAS application change requiring the Internal GSC calculated support amount match the support amount on the court order screen before financial accounts can be created.
- That the all judicial jurisdictions have CCSAS access and are using its GSC no later than November 30, 2008, will be verified during as a part the CCSAS (single System) statewide review required to remove the current funding cap.

If you have questions regarding this approval decision, please contact Ms. Robin Rushton at (202) 690-1244.

Sincerely,

/s/

~~Margot Bean~~
Commissioner
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Reference: 022908CA

cc: Ms. Dianne Koelzer, Project Director, CCSAS, California DCSS
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